

**PATENT APPLICATION**

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 1745**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re the Application of

Kenji HASHIMOTO et al.

Group Art Unit: 1745

Application No.: 09/623,023

Examiner: S. N. Tsang Foster

Filed: October 20, 2000

Docket No.: 107016

For: FUEL CELL AND MANUFACTURING METHOD OF SEPARATOR FOR USE  
IN FUEL CELL (as twice amended)

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 CFR §1.116**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the December 20, 2002 Final Office Action, the shortened statutory period  
for reply being extended by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the  
above-identified application with sections as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims;

**Amendments to the Drawings** include an attachment replacement sheet attached  
replacement sheets; and

**Remarks.**

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